improving and modernising Telephone services in Andhra Pradesh during the current financial year; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details are given in the statement.

Statement

Programme of Improvement and Modernisation in Andhra Pradesh during 1986-87

	Vijayawada Telephone District	Hyderabad Telephone District	A.P. Telecom. Circle
1. Ducting	2·3Kms	6·5 Kms	1·575 Kms
2. Installation Electronic Exchanges	4000 lines	10000 lines	400 lines of Digital Rural Electronic exchange at Armoor. Installation of 600 lines of the above equipment will be started at Kothaguddam. Expansion by 1000 lines Electronic exchange at Kurnool has been planned.
3. Replacement Conversion	300 lines (Conversion MAX III to MAX II type)	Nil	200 lines
4. PCM	2 Systems	115 Systems	8 Systems

5. Computerisation
   The Work on computerisation of Automatic Trunk Ticketing is completed in one Exchange and is expected to be completed in another exchange in Hyderabad Telephone District during 1986-87.

   The Work relating to computerisation of Trunk billing is under process.

6. 1000 lines of SXS telex is being replaced by 2000 line SPC Telex at Hyderabad.

7. Public Utility Co-ordination Boards have been set up for Co-ordinating the work of different agencies to prevent damage to the cables.

8. "Mission-Better Communication" a programme for overall improvement in Telecom. services has been launched with effect from 1-4-86.

Relief to Telephone Users

1190. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1779 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 12th August, 1985 and state:

(a) the number of telephone users, statewise, to whom the relief has been given till 30th June, 1986 with respect to the period when their telephones continued to remain dead; and

(b) the amount of money refunded to the telephone users, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS

(SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) 1244. State-wise information is given in the attached Statement. (*See* below). Each Telephone remained dead continuosly for a minimum period of 30 days.

(b) Rs. 1,19,464.75.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of State (District/Telecom .Circles)	Number of cases of refund	Amount refunded (in Rupees)
1	Maharashtra (Telephone District Bombay)	3	462·20
2	West B .gal (Calcutta Tel·phone District)	48	6085 00
3	Tamil Nadu (a) Ma·ras Telephone District)	1106	101593 05
	(b) (Telecom. Circle)	85	10352·00
4	Bihar (Teleco. Circle)	1	387 50
5	Uttar Pra·lesh (Telecom Circle)	1	585·00
	Other States	Nil	
	TOTAL :		1,19,464·75

Public Sector Industries in Tamil Nadu

1191. SHRI ALADI ARUNA *alias* V. ARUNArHALAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) how many big industries have been set up by the Central in Tamil Nadu in the public sector since 1967; and

(b) what are the details thereof alongwith the sums of investment, value of the production and the number of employees in these industries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI K. K. TEWARI): (a) and (b) The following are the details of major industries set up by Centre in Tamil Nadu since 1967:—

	Name of Industry	Investment in Tamil Nadu as on 3-3-1985 (Rs. in crores)	Value of production 1984-85 (Rs. in crores)	No. of employees as on 31-3-1985
1	Salem Steel Plant	162 88	77·35	1234
2	NTC (Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry) Ltd.	47·23	96·25 (for the whole company)	11389
3	Ranipet unit of BHEL	44·00*	123·00**	2590*
4	Se mless Steel Tube Plant, Tiruchy BHEL	56·00*	38·00**	1165*
5	Intern .tional Airport Authority	26·81	N.A.	750

*As on 31-3-1986.

**Relates to 1985-86.